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That there are many cases where chance, and incidental reference to dealings with foreign states, have enabled the Chinese historical works to be made use of for correcting the scanty, and often loose accounts of the classical writers, has long been known, and STANISLAS JULIAN has made considerable use of these records. The Chinese books have also served in many instances to throw light on the extremely wild statements of the Indian authors who have treated on the history of Buddhism; and it is, indeed, largely through the light thrown on them by Chinese writers that an approximation has been made towards a chronology of the early ages of Buddhism. Indeed of chronology, until they came into contact with the Chinese, the Indians had not the faintest conception; so that in a few years the most important occurrences had invariably become enroustled with such a fringe of myth that frequently the most experienced reviser has to give up in despair the task of evolving a single historical fact out of the overpowering mass of rubbish. Owing, however, to the ignorance and self-sufficiency of the French translators of the eighteenth century of whom DES GUIGNES was a typical example, the most erroneous conclusions were arrived at, so that instead of being helped, the historian has ever since been weighted with a whimsical assortment of mis-statements, and the history of Central Asia has, in consequence become more entangled and entangled than ever. Of all the hindrances to Chinese studies that have

ever appeared the influence of two men stand out pre-eminent, DES GUIGNES and the late Sir THOMAS WADDE; both being men who to a supreme ignorance of the groundwork of the Chinese language added a most overweening idea of their own particular attainments. Both, moreover, were ignorant of the simplest facts in history, and neither possessed the slightest spark of critical intelligence. Both, moreover, were, owing to the superlative ignorance of those with whom they were thrown in contact, elevated into the false position of teachers, a position that neither their attainments fitted them to occupy.

These thoughts were forced on the notice of the writer a short time ago on taking up a Chinese work entitled *Biographies of Distinguished Buddhists* (Kao sang chwen ch'o tsh). The work is modern but has been carefully compiled from original sources. Omitting the Buddhists of the old Southern School of the Hinayana, who came in response to the Emperor MING TI's request after his famous dream, and who have left no mark on modern Buddhism, the Religion was really introduced by the Apostle whom the older accounts style AN-SHI-KAO, which we may render as Kao, The Pacifier of the Age. The more modern work, while mentioning the older title, calls him AN-SHI-KAO, which we may perhaps render as a transliteration of the Sanskrit, VANDARISHA KAO, The over-increasing-in-age Kao. AN-SHI KAO came to China in the second year of the reign of the Emperor HUAN of the later Han, i.e. 148 A.D., and according to the Chinese story had had a romantic career. He was the eldest son of the King of Parthia by the Queen, and had in his youth, been carefully instructed in all the arts then current; he had studied the rules of justice, was able in discussion, and powerful in judgment; he had practiced the art of healing, and was a lover of literature; more, he was skilled in the occult arts, and comprehended the language of birds and beasts. But although thus exalted in position, he cared nought for these things. When the King died he, had as a matter of course ascended the throne; but as soon as the days of mourning had come to an end, he relinquished all his royal honours, and resigning the throne to his uncle, retired to a monastery, where he soon rose to the head. He commenced travelling through those parts of Central Asia, which then acknowledged the suzerainty of China, very where preaching the word; and at last, the year after the accession of the Emperor

AN-SHI-KAO, he came from the Chinese author, which tallies perfectly with what we learn from classical sources; where we are told much of his earlier career, not less interesting than his mature life. Rome and Parthia were at the time engaged in a contest for the empire of the East; and Armenia had become the goal for which both were striving. In the year 66 TRIDATES, who had been placed on the throne of Armenia by his brother VARGASH, called by the Romans VOLAGASES, by arrangement after war had been declared between the two to the detriment of Parthia, went to Rome to be invested by the Emperor NERO.

TRIDATES had been, it happened, a Zoroastrian priest, and this character he seems to have retained notwithstanding his elevation. He, however, died without issue; and PACORUS, who was at the time ruling King of Parthia, put as his successor on the Armenian throne his young son, called by the Romans EXIDARUS, but whose name in old Persian was KESHATRUS. This was the prince afterwards known to the Chinese as AN-SHI KAO. TRAJAN, who was now Roman Emperor, objected to this interference; and CHOSROES, brother of PACORUS, who had succeeded him on the Parthian throne, not wishing to offend TRAJAN, deposed his young nephew, and wrote to TRAJAN stating that the Armenian crown was now vacant; and naming his other nephew, PARTHAMISIRIS, asked for his investiture from Rome, as a subject king like TRIDATES. TRAJAN, who was ambitious of annexing Armenia, returned an evasive answer, and said he was himself coming to the East, when he would see what was to be done. On his arrival PARTHAMISIRIS rode into the Roman camp to TRAJAN's tent, and formally removing the crown which he had assumed laid it at the feet of TRAJAN, expecting it to be as formally returned; TRAJAN had, however, other things in view, and the army, seeing he did not return it, shouted, declaring him Emperor. PARTHAMISIRIS, feeling himself entrapped, demanded a private conference which was granted, and complained of the indignity; TRAJAN told him that Armenia was now a Roman province, and would not be restored; he was, however personally at liberty, and would not be molested. He accordingly made his arrangements to ride away, but was treacherously set upon and murdered. On the

death of his father PACORUS a few years previously EXIDARUS, being apparently judged too young, had himself been passed over in the Parthian succession. He had now experienced the emptiness of human greatness,—put on the throne of Armenia as a boy, he had been deposed at the beak of a Roman Emperor; he had been passed over when it came to his turn to ascend the Parthian throne; and last he had seen his brother PARTHAMISIRIS ignominiously driven from the Roman camp, and murdered in cold blood. It was little wonder then that on the death of CHOSROES, who was his uncle, not his father, about 128 A.D., EXIDARUS should have declined the dangerous honour, and preferred to retire to his monastery. Historians have always been puzzled over the extraordinary fact that though it was known that EXIDARUS was alive and the rightful heir, he was a second time passed over and the crown given to a distant relation. The Chinese narrative supplies the missing reason. Confounding the two occasions it indeed makes his uncle to have succeeded, which was the case in the first instance only.

But a still more curious fact remains behind. TRIDATES of Armenia, was grand uncle to EXIDARUS, and was, as we have seen, a Zoroastrian priest; it must have been under his auspices that EXIDARUS's early education had been carried out, and, as the Chinese story tells us, he was learned in all the wisdom of the time. We are not told why it was to Buddhism that he turned. He must, however, have come under the influence of the great Buddhist apostle of the Mahayana school, ACYASHOUSA; now it is curious that foremost amongst the doctrines taught by ACYASHOUSA was that of the Buddha Amida and the Paradise of the West. But Amida Buddha was but a Buddhist rendering of the old Zoroastrian legend of YIMA KHAETA and his happy land of the Airyana, and the inspiration here seemingly came from TRIDATES himself. At all the events the age was one of religious enquiry, and attempts were being made to amalgamate the principles of the great religions of Buddhism, Zoroastrianism and Christianity. TRIDATES himself sent to the Court of King GOMERES, then ruling in northern India, and invited the Apostle THOMAS to visit him, so that it is almost certain that his grand nephew must have listened to the two Apostles ACYASHOUSA and THOMAS, of Buddhism and Christianity respectively. The Buddhism brought to China by AN-SHI KAO was of the northern type of the Mahayana school, and its principal doctrine was the worship of Amida in contrast to the faithfulness to the teachings of GOTAMA himself, whose highest conception of good was total extinction.

Altogether Chinese literature is not exhausted; and there are many truths, historical as well as religious and philosophical, to be unearthed from its study; but unfortunately the deadening influence of men like DES GUIGNES and WADDE have led anxious searchers off the track, until sinology has become a byword amongst studies, as leading to no possible end.

The English Mail of the 20th February was delivered in London on the 21st inst.

Another of the *demimondaines* came before the Magistrate yesterday. She was Anne Alschula, a Russian, and the charge against her was importing. She was fined \$10.

The annual inspection of the Hongkong Volunteers by H. E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops takes place on Saturday afternoon next.

Eight Chinese were brought before Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday charged with being in possession of certain stolen property and also with having arms (knives) in their possession. They were remanded, bail being fixed at \$150 each.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals—

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The Hugh Ward London Comedy Company are having record houses at Shanghai, and the highly eulogistic reports of their performances are quite in keeping with those we have seen in the Indian and Burma papers. The Company will visit Hongkong shortly.

A Chinese charged with stealing a pair of trousers, a vest, a pair of braces, and a tin of tobacco, the property of Walter William and Adolph Christensen, quartermasters on the s.s. *Mongolia*, was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy to undergo six weeks' imprisonment and to be exposed in the stocks for six hours.

A Hongkong correspondent writing to *L'Avenir du Tonkin* mentions that during Admiral Perrin's visit here he will visit the Viceroy of Canton and discuss with him the question of the piratical attacks on the frontier of Tonkin. It is said that there are two thousand rebels in the mountains of Tai-yen Chan and that they are contemplating raids similar to those which have taken place on the border of Laos.

The infectious diseases reported last week were five cases of plague, all Chinese. These ended, fatally. Two cases of diphtheria and one of fever were also reported.

Among the passengers to arrive at Hankow by train from Peking ten days ago was the Rev. Lord William Gascoigne Cecil, who is at present taking a very keen interest in Chinese affairs. He was to have preached in St. John's Church, Hankow, on Sunday.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 21st March, 1909, shows that of non-Chinese there were 423 to the Library and 223 to the Museum and of Chinese 217 to the former and 353 to the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by 645 persons and the Museum by 3,756.

Monsieur Henri Gourdon, Director General of Public Instruction in Indo-China, is in Manila having arrived several days ago from Saigon. He is there for the purpose of investigating the insular school system with the view of applying as much as is practicable to the schools of Indo-China.

During the week-end several Europeans offered very unedifying spectacles. On Sunday morning one, evidently a besouped, was seen lying on the pavement in front of a godown at Wanchai, fast asleep. On Sunday night another European chose the street for his couch, and thinking he was in bed he took out his two watches and placed them in the kerb. The police are now looking for the owner of the watches.

The second fire in the Colony during the week-end took place on Sunday night about eleven o'clock in the top floor of the house 43 Gough Street. The flames, however, spread to the top floor of No. 45, and the superstructure of both houses was destroyed before the Fire Brigade arrived and extinguished the fire. The outbreak was due to a defective flue. The inmates were drying firewood and the flames caught the flue and set fire to the house. The inmates got out of the house in time, but the damage to property is estimated at \$2,000, most of which is believed to be covered by insurance.

COMPANY REPORT

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.
LIMITED.

The Directors' report to the shareholders states—

GENTLEMEN:—The Directors submit to you the annexed statement of the liabilities and assets of the Bank, and of the profit and loss account for the half-year ended 31st December, 1908.

The gross profits of the Bank for the past half-year, including yen 1,113,505.35 brought forward from last account, amount, to yen 2,123,667.18, less deducted for interest, taxes, current expenses, rebate on bills current, bad and doubtful debts, bonus for officers and clerks, &c., leaving a balance of yen 2,291,676.90 for appropriation.

Owing to the continued depreciation in the price of silver towards the end of the last half-year, the Directors have decided to adjust the rate of the silver fund held in China by writing off the balance of the silver depreciation fund. The Directors now propose that yen 400,000 be added to the Reserve fund, and recommend a dividend at the rate of twelve per cent, per annum, which will absorb yen 1,440,000.

The balance, yen 1,141,676.90, will be carried forward to the credit of next account.

BARON KOREKIYO TAKAHASHI,
Chairman.

Head Office, Yokohama, 10th March, 1909.

BALANCE SHEET, 31st December, 1908.

LIABILITIES.	Yen
Capital (paid up)	24,000,000.00
Reserve funds	15,100,000.00
Reserve for doubtful debts	390,928.38
Notes in circulation	4,930,535.73
Deposits (current, fixed, &c.)	119,174,131.03
Acceptances, bills re-discounted	
and other sums	
Due by the bank	77,915,485.96
Liabilities unclaimed	5,430.02
Amount brought forward from last account	1,113,505.35
Profit for the past half-year	1,568,171.55
	Yen 244,498,208.02

ASSETS.	Yen
Current account	Yen
Hand	12,582,865.22
Bankers	14,864,959.94
	27,447,825.16
Intiments in Public securities	16,381,383.69
Discounted loans, advances	
	67,498,190.50
Receivables and other sums	
Due to the bank	128,339,932.38
Bank and foreign money	2,123,667.18
Bad promises, properties, culture, &c.	2,207,209.11
	Yen 244,498,208.02

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

	Yen
Tobacco, taxes, current expenses	
on bills current, bad	
doubtful debts, bonus for	
officers and clerks, &c.	7,817,088.72
To reserve fund	400,000.00
To dividend—(yen 6, per share	
on 10,000 shares)	1,400,000.00
To be carried forward to next account	1,141,676.90
	Yen 10,798,765.62

By the brought forward 30th

J 1908 1,113,505.35

By the gross profits for

the year ending 31st Dec

1908 9,685,260.27

Yen 10,798,765.62

TELEGRAMS.

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Copyright Ordinance, 1894.][REUTER'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."]LAUNCH OF A GERMAN
BATTLESHIP.

LONDON, March 21st.

The first German ship of the Invincible type, named the "Vondertann" having a displacement of 19,000 tons, has been launched at Hamburg.

A SENSATIONAL NEWSPAPER
ARTICLE.

LONDON, March 21st.

The "Observer" to-day publishes a most sensational article roundly accusing Germany of duplicity and declaring that Great Britain must fight before 1910 or build eight Dreadnoughts now.

PEACEFUL PROSPECT IN THE
BALKANS.

LONDON, March 21st.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade states that the Serbian Government is acceding to the advice of the Powers and disbands the Reservists to-morrow.

THE AMERICAN TARIFF.

LONDON, March 22nd.

The Conference considering the proposed amendments of the United States tariff, consists of President Taft, Mr. Knox (Secretary of State), Mr. McVeagh (Secretary of the Treasury), and Senator Aldrich (Chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance).

Senator Aldrich argues that a duty on tea is impracticable.

TYPHOON WARNING.

Manila, as we announced yesterday, gave us the first typhoon warning of the year on Sunday evening, and during the night a high wind was experienced in Hongkong. At 11.35 we received the information that the typhoon was east of the Visayas Islands inclining northward.

THE DEATH OF THEODORE
SPEIDEL.

We briefly announced a few days ago that telegraphic news had reached the East of the death at Home of Mr. Theodore Speidel, senior partner in the well-known firm of Messrs. Speidel & Co., of Hanoi, Haiphong, Pompenh and Saigon. Mr. Speidel was well known in China and the news of his death will be received by all who knew him with very great regret. Mr. Speidel started in business at Saigon in 1868, as a general merchant and in course of time established branches of the firm at Pompenh, Haiphong and Hanoi. He also founded the Orient and the Union rice mills at Cholou, near Saigon, and for many years acted as Consul for Germany in Cochinchina. Mr. Speidel died in Paris on the 7th inst. in the sixty-eighth year of his age.

EXTRA-TERRITORIALITY.

INFLUENCE OF BRITISH IN SIAMSE
TERRITORY.

Writing on Siam in 1909, a Bangkok correspondent of the *Malay Mail* says—
The great barrier against progress in Siam has been the extra-territorial rights of the foreigners. The Siam Government, thus distracted, threw scraps to each nationality in turn, with the result that foreign capital was timid of coming into the country, and a secondary consequence that authority being divided, nothing was done efficiently. Thus the finances were entrusted to British hands, whereas the public works were given to the Italians. The Germans finance and control the railways, and the Danes have the tramways, and electric lighting in their hands. The French do nothing in particular, except reside in a very handsome Legation and claim Siamese subjects as French protégés. They have in time past been more exacting than any other country, when their interests were of the smallest commercially. Strange to say, without any encouragement, might almost say with every discouragement British influence in trade and what may be called the politics of the country stands supreme and undisturbed to such a degree that if Great Britain gave up its extra-territorial rights to-morrow, every other country would have to do the same and probably feel confidence in following such a lead.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

In a special Message to Congress, transmitting the report presented by the Board of Engineers who recently accompanied Mr. Taft to Panama, President Roosevelt expressed the opinion that it would be an inexcusable folly to change from the proposed lock-canal to a sea level canal. He added that the engineers recommended a reduction of 20ft. in the height of the Gatun dam, and that he had directed the change to be made in the plans. The engineer estimates the total cost of the canal at \$272,000,000.

LOCAL SPORT.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

Saturday's fixtures are—
H.K. "B" v. Civil Service.
H.K. "A" v. R.E.
Cransgower v. Police.

THE BASEBALL COMPETITION.

U.S.S. "CLEVELAND" v. U.S.S. "CHARLESTON."
These teams met in the first game of the final series of matches on the Hongkong Club ground at Happy Valley yesterday. The attendance, which was composed chiefly of American sailors, was not large, but it was exceedingly enthusiastic, the cheering and bantering being "pretty considerable." The teams were—

"CHARLESTON"	"CLEVELAND"
Stokes	Hall
Dihel	Creedon
Daniels	Wegman
Lehnkoff	Johnson
Zelinski	Dolan
Italian	Dyson
Jeffries	Sullivan
Peyton	De Voto
Brown	Fitcher

This game was one of the best that has so far been played. The *Cleveland* concluded the first innings with a score of four runs, then the *Charleston* pitcher battled up to the six innings successfully. At this stage, however, he was in American parlance "bested out of the box"; otherwise, he could not control his throws. The *Cleveland* pitcher, on the other hand, played a splendid game, and very few hits were scored from him. The match was won by the *Cleveland* by seven. The scores by innings were as under:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	Total
<i>Cleveland</i>	4	—	—	—	1	—	6	11
<i>Charleston</i>	1	1	1	—	—	1	4	

OUR AMERICAN GUESTS.

THE PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT.

To-day—Final of the Base Ball Tournament on the Football Ground. The Cup will be presented at the conclusion of the game.

Complimentary Nigger Minstrel Entertainment by men of the U.S. Fleet in the City Hall Theatre at 8.45 p.m.

To-morrow, Wednesday 24th—Luncheon to men from the various Ships at the Race Course at 12.30 p.m., which they will meet Details from the British and other men-of-war in Harbour also non-commissioned officers and men from the Garrison.

Sports on the Race Course after Luncheon commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Thursday 25th.—The same programme of events at the same hours and place as on previous day, giving those who had not been able to be present then an opportunity of participating.

While the sports are in progress tea and light refreshments will be provided in the Members Stand at the Race Course from 4 p.m.

Torchlight Tattoo on the Cricket ground at 9.30 p.m. to view which the Hongkong Club will be thrown open to ladies and members' friends. An informal dance and supper will follow.

PROPERTY SALE AT CANTON.

An interesting property was sold at Canton by public auction on Saturday. The lot was No 52 on the Shamen, measuring approximately 12,645 square feet, together with the buildings erected on the lot. It is generally known as the "Condition lot," from the fact that the building was the old silk conditioning house, Mr. H. H. Fox, H.M. Acting Consul-General at Canton being trustee for the Conditioning House Company.

There was a reserve price on the lot based on the highest offer in writing previously submitted to the trustee. Starting at \$20,000, the property was knocked down after some very spirited bidding to the British American Tobacco Co. Ltd. at the sum of \$37,800. Among the bidders were Mr. Dent, Mr. Griffiths and Dr. Davenport. The latter we understand wanted the site for a hospital.

The lot has a frontage of 90 feet and a depth of 140 feet.

The price obtained for the property affords another indication of the confidence which is felt regarding the future of Canton. When the 52 lots on the British portion of the Shamen were put up for sale by public auction in 1861, it is recorded in "Treaty Ports of China and Japan &c." that "such was the competition at the time based on the expectation of flourishing trade, that the enormous sum of \$9,000 and upwards was paid in more than one instance for a lot, with a river frontage, measuring 12,645 square feet. Each lot measures 90 feet frontage by 140 feet in depth. Rear lots brought about \$3,500 each."

The price originally paid for lot No. 52 was \$4,000, the purchasers being Messrs. Kienissen and Co. The dollar in those days was worth 4s. 5d.

Speaking of the British acquisition of three Siamese states under the recent treaty the *Piung Gazette* states that this acquisition of territory will afford the British merchants of the Straits an opportunity of opening up and developing new and valuable markets, in the place of those which they lost of recent years. That loss, it must be remembered, has been mainly due to circumstances beyond their control, but also largely to their lack of enterprise and inability to adapt themselves to altered conditions of trade and competition.

THE PUISNE JUDGESHIP.

FAREWELLS TO MR. JUSTICE WISE: CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. JUSTICE GOMPERTZ.

An interesting ceremony took place at the Supreme Court yesterday when His Honour the Chief Justice called together members of the legal profession to bid farewell to Mr. Justice Wise, and to congratulate Mr. Justice Gompertz on being appointed his successor. Mr. A. Seth, Esq., Registrar, and Messrs. G. A. Woodcock, Esq., C. D. Melbourne, Deputy Registrars, were present in their assigned positions, while at the bar were Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C. (Acting Attorney-General), Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Calthrop. In the body of the Court were Mrs. Gompertz, Mrs. Pollock and the following members of the junior bar:—Messrs. F. B. L. Bowley (Crown Solicitor), H. L. Denys, Sen., H. L. Denys, Jun., C. D. Wilkinson, E. J. Grist, S. W. Tso, O. D. Thomson, P. M. Hodgson, A. Jackson, C. F. Dixon, P. Sydneyham Dixon, F. P. Hett, Crowther Smith, J. H. Gardiner, A. Daniels, F. X. d'Almeida e Castro, Leo d'Almeida e Castro, Otto Kong Sing, H. K. Holmes, F. C. Barlow, P. W. Goldring, Reader Harris, Bulmer Johnson, H. G. C. Bailey, J. Scott Harston, F. B. Dawson and G. H. Wakeman (Official Receiver in Bankruptcy). The staff of Court interpreters, and the ushers and bailiffs were also in attendance.

The Chief Justice—Mr. Attorney, I have asked you and the members of the Legal Profession to meet us here today, not to bury Caesar but to praise him: not to pronounce a funeral oration on a departed friend, but to say a few words of farewell to-day to one of the small minority who retire to rest from his labours whilst yet enjoying moderately good health, and one whose name, we hope, will, for many years to come, grace and embellish the list called the Pension List. It may seem presumptuous on my part to speak to the many who have known very much longer than I have done of the virtues of our friend Wise. But in the intimate relations which must exist between judges who have to work together, I came to know him very well, and I never knew one whose name by chance and whose instinct by nature better fitted him for the performance of the duties of a Justice of this Court. I knew him, as many knew him, as very wise. Suijors found him very summary, and indeed, the affectionate name of Summary Wise was almost inevitable. He was so summary in his methods that he himself was often astonished to find how sound he was. We came here to-day as well to welcome the coming as to speed the parting Judge, and I think the occasion is fitting to say a few words I have in my mind with regard to the Court in this Colony. The port of Hongkong claims to be the premier port in the world, and in like manner I think the Court of Hongkong ought to claim the premier position among the Courts in His Majesty's dominions over sea; for here the East kisses the West and men of many nationalities flock and throng through the wide open door to see if something is not to be made out here; hence many disputes involving curiously complicated questions of law. Here, indeed, is a very hotbed of conflicts of law. Unlike our professional brethren elsewhere, who have somewhat attenuated theories to deal with, we have here to meet them face to face, to deal with them practically, in order to maintain the very high position which this Court ought to maintain. That is the duty and must be the constant endeavour of every Judge who sits upon this Bench; and I know from the past that in the future every Judge will be ably seconded by both branches of the Legal Profession. To no one does this duty appear more a pleasure, or this endeavour more constant than in our good friend Gompertz. It seems to me that he really revels in unravelling knotty points of law. Well fitted and well chosen, he to-day takes his position permanently as a Judge of this Court, and I know I am right in saying that the Colony most cordially welcomes and approves his promotion. For myself I shall only say this: that I have never perhaps heard of an appointment, save perhaps one which His Majesty was pleased to make some four years ago, which has given me greater pleasure.

SIR HENRY BERKELEY—May it please you, my Lord. The Bar and the entire profession echo the sentiments and expressions of regret and appreciation regarding Mr. Justice Wise which have fallen from you, my Lord, the Chief Justice. Mr. Justice Wise, during the long tenure of the high office which he held with such distinction for many years, discharged the important and responsible duties of that office with marked ability. To the last he possessed the absolute confidence of all who appeared before him, which, added to his kindly nature and genial disposition, made him not only highly esteemed by the whole profession, but caused him to be regarded with feelings of affection deep and true. My Lords, we regret that the ties which so long bound us to that learned, able and conscientious Judge have at last been severed. My Lords, the Bar desires to offer their congratulations, and the members of the legal profession generally join therein, to his Lordship Mr. Justice Gompertz. We believe that he will worthily follow in the footsteps of his distinguished predecessor. We desire respectfully to add this assurance: that the announcement of the appointment of Mr. Justice Gompertz to fill the high office vacated by Mr. Justice Wise met with the complete satisfaction of the entire profession. I speak on behalf of the whole Bar.

The Chief Justice—The solicitors have a right of audience to-day.

Mr. DENNIS—My Lords I did not expect to speak on this occasion as I understand that a Attorney-General was speaking not only on

behalf of the Bar but of all the solicitors. But as your Lordship has kindly notified that I may address the Court I shall, as perhaps the oldest solicitor present, say that I have known Mr. Justice Wise since his arrival in the Colony. He was then clerk to Chief Justice Phillips. Shortly after that he was called to the local bar and practised as a barrister. I think I may say I am the only solicitor here who ever gave Mr. Wise a brief as a barrister. Since then I have known him at Canton in 1883. Since then I have been before Mr. Justice Wise as Magistrate, I was before him when he was Registrar. I was working with him to a certain extent while he was Attorney-General, and, of course, I was before him many, many times in this Court while he presided over it as successor to Mr. Justice Snowden. My Lord, we had the greatest respect for Mr. Justice Wise as a conscientious lawyer, and socially we had a love for him which is very seldom felt between members of the profession and the president of the Court. I will not take up time by saying anything further as to Mr. Justice Wise. As Mr. Justice Gompertz has been long enough here for us all to know him well, and I may say on behalf of the solicitors that we were delighted when we heard of his appointment as successor to Mr. Justice Wise.

Mr. Justice Gompertz then took his stand to the rear of the Chief Justice, while Mr. A. Seth read the commission as follows:—

F. D. LUQUAN, GOVERNOR.
EDWARD by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India:

To our trusty and well beloved Henry Hesse Johnston Gompertz, Esquire, one of our Counsel learned in the law.

Now, know you that we, taking into consideration your loyalty, integrity and ability, of our special grace, certain knowledge and mere motion, have thought fit to constitute and appoint and do hereby constitute and appoint you the said Henry Hesse Johnston Gompertz to be Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of our Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, from the twenty-first day of March, 1909, inclusive, to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said office and place during Our pleasure with all the rights, profits, privileges and advantages thereunto belonging or appertaining, provided always that you the said Henry Hesse Johnston Gompertz do actually reside within our said Colony and do not quit the same without the previous permission of Our Governor of Our said Colony, or of such person as may, for the time being, be charged with the Government thereof. And also that you execute the said office in your own person, except in case of sickness or other incapacity, and do in all other matters and things perform the duties thereof in a discreet and orderly manner.

In testimony whereof we have caused these our letters to be made patent and to be sealed with the public seal of Our Colony aforesaid.

Witness our trusty and well beloved Frederick John Dealtry Legard, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order, Governor for the time being of Our said Colony, in his twenty-first day of March, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and nine, and in the ninth year of Our reign.

By command,
F. H. MAR,
Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Justice GOMPERTZ, on resuming his seat, said—Mr. Chief Justice, Mr. Attorney-General, Mr. DENNIS, I can only say I thank you with all my heart for these very kind words.

The Court then adjourned.

THE HONGKONG UNIVERSITY SCHEME.

The N.C. Daily News in a leading article giving an outline of the Hongkong University scheme, adds:—

We cannot refrain from comparing this scheme with that which Lord William Cecil is actively advocating at Peking, namely, to establish a University in China to be organized under the auspices of Oxford and Cambridge. As has already been pointed out the latter is to be of an avowedly Christian character, its aim being at once to transplant our higher educational system and to propagate the Christian point of view. A meeting of influential men held in Peking decided that the scheme as contemplated was not practical and, as an alternative, they recommended the establishment of a system of scholarships similar to those founded by the late Cecil Rhodes. The Hongkong scheme is nothing if not practical, and certainly has no claims on the support of British Universities and the British public. The question of a University for Hongkong is not a local one, but one of Imperial interest, and the prestige and influence of Great Britain will be increased and extended in China and throughout the Far East if the University is established. For this reason representations might be made to the Home Government and Home educationists to assist in raising the required sum for the endowment. It is true that the project is primarily for the Chinese, and in order to secure the support of the Chinese community both in Hongkong and South China definite and practical steps are being taken. But a nation that contributes large sums annually to educational work in China, over which it has little or no control, should respond in a hearty manner to the appeal to support an institution in a British colony which, from its inception, will be well-governed and of practical utility alike to Chinese and foreign youths who are living in the Far East.

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, February 23.

THE IMPERIAL ARMY SCHEME.

Mr. Haldane is profoundly joyful about the reception of his scheme for an Army of the Empire, with a General staff covering all the principal colonies. No doubt there is enthusiasm in Canada among the official circles for Canada's representation on this body, but my private information from Canada is that the newspapers and the public, apart from the General staff idea, are by no means so enthusiastic. The only idea that has met with really whole-hearted approval there is the establishment of an Empire League of nurses to take service in case of war.

Judging from the Canadian press comments, the Canadians as a whole are slow to accept anything that looks to them like a "formal militarism," suited to the defence of Great Britain but not to the Dominion. Moreover, there has been a demand of late in Canada for admission to a closer partnership of dignities as well as responsibilities with the Mother country, and in this matter the ground is being carefully surveyed before the Canada decision is jump.

But at least the discussion of the possibility of war has awakened Canada to a sense of her unpreparedness. It has been found on investigation that the Dominion militia is totally unprepared for a winter campaign. There are no sleighs for the field artillery, the rifle oil in use coagulates when the temperature falls below zero, and in other details there is a complete lack of readiness. That has set the Canadians thinking, and good will result.

NAVAL PLANS.

The very carefully worded statement made by the Premier just after the opening of Parliament as to the naval plans of Germany and Great Britain has not served to pacify the scare monger. It did not, in fact, turn out as satisfactory a statement as might have been wished. First the Premier said no arrangement had been made with Germany during the King's visit, because Germany had repeated her explanation that any naval building she undertook had no relation to British plans, and it was quite understood that Great Britain had an equal right to take whatever steps she deemed necessary to protect her interests. From this the Premier argued that building activity on either side of the North Sea had no reference to strained relations between the countries.

Then a pushful member pressed the inquiry as to whether the building of British ships was undertaken with no regard to German growth of armament and the Premier rather spoiled his original statement by saying that was not to be understood. He added, after the manner of Parliamentarians, "I meant just what I said and no more." Which is not very illuminating.

There will not be as much discussion of naval expenditure by the way, as members of extreme economical ideas would have liked. Mr. Murray Macdonald had a motion calling attention to the growth of expenditure on the service but the Speaker has ruled it out because, as he explains, there are other occasions when the naval cost can be criticised and the time of the Session is already extremely crowded.

THE CANADIAN TARIFF.

I may add, while touching on Germany and Canada, that I have good authority for stating that Germany is making overtures to the Canadian Government with a view to easier tariff arrangements. In 1905 the Canadian Customs Minister, in whose hands such matters finally rest, placed German manufactures under the special tariff of one third of the general tariff because Germany treats imports from Canada unfavourably. Later there is so much evidence of France at last concluding a commercial agreement with Canada, by which trade between those countries will be conducted on the favoured nation plan, that Germany is looking askance at her drawbacks in a rapidly developing field. So enquiries have been directed to Ottawa to learn on what conditions similar arrangements to those just concluding with France might be extended to Germany. The important point to Imperial Britons lies in the fact that Canadian papers have of late shown a tendency to minimise the desirability for Canada to continue a preference to Great Britain on her tariff schedule.

THE ANTI-OPIMUM AGITATION.

Tang Shao Yi's encouragement to the British anti-opium agitation to continue "in the interests of China" will certainly be effective and I am assured that the members of Parliament interested in the subject are keeping so watchful an eye on this matter that the immediate grievances of their own constituents are in danger of being neglected. Yet if there was much British capital in this opium trade there would be a roar equal to that against the Licensing Bill. Truly our people at home like to smack their lips in ecstasy in their zeal against the evils that exist among the poor benighted foreigners, regardless of the need for reform at home. On this subject I gave some time ago some caustic remarks by Sir Henry Blake, who contends that the opium den is a much more estimable place as a rule than the slum pub in London.

SIR ROBERT HART.

With the return of the Parliamentary session there is much entertaining in London, and among the most honoured guests is Sir Robert Hart. No sooner has he passed the dust of public banqueting than hostesses fix upon him as the desirable lion of the season.

Apart from these private functions he has accepted the presidency of the London Association of Old Students of Queen's College, Belfast. They had dinner a night or two ago at the Holborn Restaurant, with Mr. R. A. McCall, K.C., in the chair. Among those present, in addition to Sir Robert Hart, were Lord Macdonnell, the ex-Indian official and Irish Permanent Secretary, and Sir John McLeary Brown.

A BARONET'S THIRD MARRIAGE.

There was quite a painful scene on Tuesday at the St. Pancras Registry office, when the aged Sir William Neville Abdy, of Hanover Square married a third wife, Mrs. Fanny Robinson, widow of a General in the Indian service. The baronet many years ago was a student interpreter in China, and fifteen years ago he served as High Sheriff of Essex. He is sixty-four years of age and his bride is thirty-five. The family name of the Abdys was formerly Butcherford but on succeeding to estates near Romford they took the name of Abdy by Royal license. Of late years the baronet has suffered much from imperfect locomotion. When he appeared at St. Pancras to be married this infirmity showed itself in a marked degree. He was so ready with his responses that the Registrar complimented him on it. He replied that he had looked it all up in Whittaker's adding that he found Whittaker invaluable on all such things. When the bride tripped lightly down the waiting carriage where was a great crowd, she was a dream of colours with her attendant shepherdesses bridesmaids, but the sensation came for the crowd when the bridegroom painfully dragged his feet along the pavement leaning heavily on two sticks. Some callous onlooker let out a raucous laugh, and St. Pancras in its hardened way laughed generally. Still the baronet declined to show a sign. His liveried footman was a few yards away but the master spirit, compelled the old man to drag himself slowly across unaided to the carriage. He has had ample romantic interest in his life. One wife he became enraptured with while she was a witness in court and the other he had to divorce.

LORD CURZON.

Lord Curzon has benefited very much from his visit to the Cape, and is now almost himself again. He will now divide his energies between the Opposition Benches of the House of Lords and the Chancellor's Chair at Oxford University. I understand he also has a book in progress on the present condition of South Africa. It is hardly expected to reach the public, however, before the Spring of.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Writing of South Africa reminds me that there are evidences in reports from there of a turn for the better in trade, after a disastrous period of depression. There is a steady recovery of public confidence in the mining industry and agriculture is developing. The utilization of the colonies is regarded as an accomplished fact, and this tends to a fresh feeling of security. Here at home too, though business is bad in many places, I may say there is an admission in the chief commercial centres that things are looking up a bit. There is no help, though, from America, where the false boom of a month or two ago has subsided and left the markets as flat as possible. There will be no improvement in that direction till well after the new President, Mr. Taft, has made his inaugural speech next month.

THE GREAT PACIFICATOR.

Mr. Taft, by the way, is winning golden opinions. He has taken so strong a hold on the affection of the Southern States that they are already calling him "the Great Pacificator" to balance Lincoln's title as "the great Emancipator." It looks a little premature, but the fact is that Mr. Taft has shown a much more tactful manner than that of the robust and aggressive President Roosevelt. "The country needs a rest," is the comment of the American business men, and Billy Taft will give it us. It is funny to learn that there is some strain between the outgoing President and the new one over Government appointments. Roosevelt wanted Taft to appoint somebody to a big post. Taft said "Sorry, but I can't do it." Roosevelt was more sore about it, so he said, than one would expect from a man who had been through the "kill" himself and had felt the pressure of post hunters.

THE ABOLITION OF THE WORKHOUSE.

Our Poor Law Boards of Guardians and our workhouse system is to go at last, though it is improbable that this session will see any progress with the change. Still there is nobody to shed a tear over the system that is so savagely slaughtered by the reports of the Royal Commission. The minority report and the majority report agree on the main points of denunciation, the disagreement branching out on the subsequent treatment of the poor and unemployed. The errors the system was set up to avoid seem to have been perpetuated as strongly as ever by it. There is no sound point in it and extravagance, inefficiency and stupidity have been rampant, to say nothing of corruption. It would appear that the aged poor especially will be dealt with on more humane out-door-relief conditions; the existing local authorities and the infirm; and casual labour will be dealt with in labour colonies on rigorous conditions.

Lord George Hamilton, the chairman of the Commission says:—The necessary bills will take months of preparation. Possibly, though, the Government, will deal with the Metropolitan session. The existence of the Metropolitan Board provides a centralised machinery which will make changes more easy to accomplish than they will be in the provinces. Labour exchanges have been mentioned in the King's Speech. If the Government establish a complete system of exchanges, under central control, such as we suggest, the country will, for the first time, learn the truth about unemployment.

THE CHINESE AND THE WORKHOUSES.

Perhaps it was the threatened abolition of workhouses that caused thirty Chinese from a seamen's boarding house in Cardiff to take to the local poor establishment of local regulation in the last strict enforcement of local regulation in the last few weeks and months in Cardiff. That is the incidental reason. Anyway the Chinese don't like an establishment as a member's club, which will really be a boarding house. The overcrowding question is a most difficult one in all our dock districts.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The Portuguese cruiser Vasco de Gama has arrived at Hongkong after a little delay at Singapore where she had to be docked after striking a reef.

The Port Line steamer Gyneric which left this bank on Saturday for Tacoma, returned yesterday with a loose propeller. Until she is surveyed, Messrs. Dodwell and Co., the agents, are unable to say whether she will have to go into dock.

The second turbine steamer of the Japanese Volunteer Fleet has just been launched from the Mitsui Bishi Dockyard and Engine Works at Nagasaki. The vessel which has a displacement of 3,500 tons and a speed of 21 knots, has been named the *Utsuyama Maru*. It was intended that these two steamers should run between Japan and Formosa, but expectations regarding a Government subsidy being unfulfilled, there is some uncertainty, we believe, at present as to their employment.

The Tacoma Maru, one of the six Osaka Shosen Kaisha American liners, will be completed and ready for sea in May next. Two other vessels of the same fleet, the *Seattle Maru* and *Chicago Maru*, will be launched at the Kawasaki Dockyard, Kobe, in April and September next, respectively. The new N.Y.K. European liner *Miyazaki Maru*, is nearing completion at the Kawasaki yard. She is scheduled to leave Kobe on April 24th on her maiden voyage.

The latest, and absolutely the final decision as to the disposal of the burned out oil ship *Netherton*, which has lain at anchor of Tanjong Rhu Singapore, since early in 1907, and has now been sold to a West Hartlepool firm, is (the *Strait Times* says) that she will proceed home under her own steam, as soon as she is considered by the port authorities to have been put in a fit seaworthy condition to put to sea. The work will be executed by Messrs. Riley, Hargreaves Ltd. It may be recalled that the greater part of the damage from fire was sustained in the fore part of the vessel, and that the engines were practically untouched. The greater part of the work to be done, therefore, will be the strengthening of the ship forward. On reaching the Tees, she will be thoroughly overhauled. The purchase price of the ship, as she lies, is approximately £4,000.

At a special meeting called for February 15th, the stockholders of the Boston Steamship Company were to be asked to dissolve the corporation. On January 7th the company sold its Pacific steamer *Shawmut* and *Tremont*, to Government for \$123,282, agreeing to bring them around to New York. As the company now has no steamers and is earning nothing, it is deemed wise to dissolve. The proceeds of the sale were insufficient by \$300,000 to pay off the indebtedness, and Kidder, Peabody & Co., who bought out the corporation, have handed the company's treasurer \$300,000, although under no obligations to do so.

The dissolution of the Boston Steamship Company, writes the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* of Feb. 10th, means the disappearance of a corporation which has been identified with Puget Sound and Orient shipping for several years. Their firm operated from Seattle to Manila, via Japan and China, in spite of heavy losses, unfavourable legislation, a Government that showed apathy towards vessels flying the Stars and Stripes, and finally against strong competition by foreign tonnage. That the company's indebtedness is not more than \$300,000 will probably surprise many who have watched with interest what difficulties the company is contending. The Boston Steamship Company is not identified with the Boston Tow Boat Company, owning the steamers *Lyra*, *Plaiades* and *Hyades*, formerly operated to the Orient from Seattle. The *Shawmut* and *Tremont* were the only vessels in the Boston Steamship Company's fleet.

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR CLAIMS.

In the House of Commons on the 23rd ult. Mr. McArthur (Liverpool, Kildale, Opp.) asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether any final decision had yet been given in the Russian Courts with respect to the claims in the Russo-Japanese war, and what was the present position of these cases.

Mr. McKinnon Wood (Glasgow, St. Rollox, Min.)—The appeal from the finding of the Liban Prize Court in the case of the *St. Kilda* came before the Supreme Prize St. Petersburg on December 24, last. The Court while maintaining that the detention of the *St. Kilda* was justifiable, recognized that the vessel and certain portions of her cargo were entitled to be released, and her cargo was granted to recover losses incurred, thus reversing the finding of the Liban Port Prize Court. In the majority of the cargo claims the Supreme Court upheld the finding of the lower Court, he case of the *Hipany* is still pending before the Russian Prize Court by the Supreme Prize Court in April last in order that the evidence of certain Russian members of the crew, who had not previously been examined, should be taken. The Russian case have arisen, especially in regard to delays that have formed the subject of repeated representations on the part of His Majesty's Government. The case of the *Oldhamia* came before the Supreme Prize Court, on appeal, on December 12 last. Except in certain unimportant details, affecting the cargo, which belonged to the American Standard Oil Company, the Court practically upheld the finding of the lower Court, which condemned the vessel and cargo. I may add that the texts of the judgments in both the cases of the *St. Kilda* and *Oldhamia* have not yet reached the Japanese Government. Both these cases involve questions of principle of considerable importance which will be carefully considered when the full terms of the findings are received.

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Mr. McArthur asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether any definite reply had been received from the Russian Government to the representations made by His Majesty's Government with regard to the cases of the *Lybia* commander and *Calchas* respectively; what was the present position of these cases; and whether there were any other claims by British subjects upon the Russian Government of which he was cognizant, arising out of the Russo-Japanese war, which still remained unsettled.

Mr. McKinnon Wood—I must refer the hon. member to the answer given to him on July 27 last. No further communication has since that date been received from the Russian Government in regard to the case of the *Lybia* commander. The Russian Government have, I am informed, instructed an advocate to take steps in the Liban Prize Court for the recovery of their losses. A reply was received from the Russian Government in September last, which set little hope of obtaining through diplomatic channels any compensation for the losses occasioned by the detention of the *Calchas*. The terms of the reply were communicated to the interested parties at the time. His Majesty's Government did not see their way to press the case further. As regards the claims arising in the case of the *Ikona*, the finding of the port Prize Court condemning the vessel was reversed, and the amount of damages is at present in process of assessment by the Liban Prize Court. These cases, together with the other questions to answer to the hon. member's other question: day comprise all the shipping cases outstanding, and the only other claims remaining are those which relate to cargo on board the *Malacca*, in which case the Russian Government have compensated the Peninsular and Oriental Company for the detention of the vessel, and certain claims for the destruction or loss of private property on land during the war. These are still under consideration or in course of adjustment.

In reply to further questions Mr. McKinnon Wood said he believed action was being taken on the part of the *Lybia* Commander. He did not think action by the Government was necessary in the case at the moment.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N.Y.K. str. *Ceylon Maru* left Moji on the 19th instant, and is expected here to-day. The Danish str. *Cathay* left Shanghai on Saturday, the 20th instant at noon, and may be expected here to-morrow.

The str. *America* left Moji for Hongkong on the 19th inst.

The Austrian Lloyd's str. *Vorwarts* left Shanghai on the 21st instant, and is due here on the 24th inst.

The P. & O. str. *Nubia* left Singapore on the 20th instant, at 5 p.m., and is due here on or about the 26th instant at 5 a.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Inaba Maru* (European Line) left Moji for this port via Shanghai on the 18th instant, and is expected here on the 23rd inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Takaaki Maru* (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 22nd instant, and is expected here on the 30th inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Tango Maru* (American Line) left Yokohama for this port via Kobe, Moji and Shanghai on the 22nd instant, and is expected here on the 24th inst.

The S.S. str. *Empress of India* left Yokohama at noon on Sunday the 21st inst. for Victoria and Vancouver.

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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909. [505]

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1909. [16]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER.

THE Steamship

"GLENFARG,"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be immediately landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

D. W. CRADDOCK, Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1909. [506]



SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,
HONGKONG.

TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BYELAWS (as amended), every domestic building or part of such building within the WESTERN Division of the City of Victoria occupied by more than one family, except those within the European Reservation or those parts of a domestic building used as a shop, Office or Godown, must be CLEANSED and LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the owners during the month of February and March.

N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this notice means that the houses should be lime-washed in respect of all the walls of each room, all cubicle partitions, stair casings and stair linings, all ceilings and the undersides of roofs in main buildings, offices and servants' quarters and inclusive of verandahs.

The back yard must have its containing walls, lime-washed up to the level of the first floor.

Carved, painted or polished woodwork in good condition, however, need not be lime-washed, but must be cleaned.

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The Government Lime-washing Contractor is prepared to cleanse and lime-wash floors at the rate of \$1.00 per floor on application being made to the Secretary of the Sanitary Board.

A. GIBSON, Secretary.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1909. [470]

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1909. [474]

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Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1909. [451]

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Hongkong, 18th March, 1909. [5]

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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909. [507]

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NOTICE.

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A. R. MARTY.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1909. [487]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

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No. 6 of 1909.

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Dated this 18th day of March, 1909.

G. H. WAKEMAN, Official Receiver.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Club will be held on THURSDAY, the 25th inst., at the Rooms of the JOCKEY CLUB, HONGKONG CLUB ANNEXE, at 5 P.M.

C. G. MACKIE, Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1909. [492]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

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122	588	1040	1261	1652
157	594	1066	1280	1735
181	664	1087	1281	1826
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254	721	1152	1346	1934
311	726	1164	1366	1963

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By Order,

JAMES CRAIK, Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1909. [493]

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE THOMAS BROCKETT, FOOCHOW, China, Storekeeper.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having Claims against the above Estate are required to send particulars of same to the undersigned before the 15th Day of MAY, 1909. And all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make immediate payment to me.

F. Wm. SHAW, Attorney for the Executor.

Foochow, 16th March, 1909. [502]

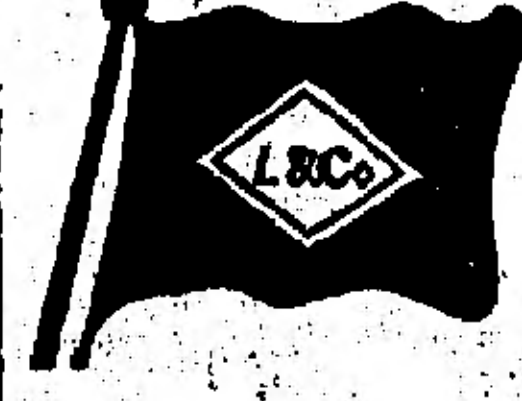
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PUBLIC COMPANY

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THE SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, at Noon, on MONDAY, the 5th April, 1909, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1908, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd March to the 5th day April, both days inclusive.

J. WHEBLEY, General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1909. [483]

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1909. [716]

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1909. [494]

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1909. [489]

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Hongkong, 15th March, 1909. [468]

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Hongkong, 23rd April, 1907. [102]

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1909. [97]

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1909. [488]

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Hongkong, 11th November, 1908. [104]

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Hongkong, 8th June, 1905. [96]

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1909. [403]

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1909. [213]

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1909. [264]

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1909. [399]

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1909. [110]

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LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PALAWAN	Brit. str.	—	C. R. Longden, R.M.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 24th inst.
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ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	DELHI	Ger. str.	2 k.w.	Malchow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SPERZA	Jap. str.	—	H. Tak-da	YAMAGUCHI & CO.	To-morrow.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CATHAY	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th April.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VORWAERTS	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	About 20th April.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TANGO MARU	Ger. str.	—	Iseki	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 16th April.
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SHANGHAI	CHENAN	On 28th March, 11 P.M.
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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"SUISANG"	Friday, 26th March, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"YUEHSANG"	Friday, 26th March, 4 P.M.
* SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, Kobe & Moji	"FOOKSANG"	Saturday, 27th March, Noon
* SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Wednesday, 31st March, 4 P.M.
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COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	Capt. F. E. Cope,	6715	WEDNESDAY, 14th April, at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI	Capt. K. Kawara,	6388	TUESDAY, 30th March, at Noon.
MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and YOKOHAMA	Capt. S. Ishikawa,	7463	TUESDAY, 13th April, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY	Capt. N. Matheson,	5076	FRIDAY, 16th April, at Noon.
ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	Capt. T. Sekine,	5539	FRIDAY, 14th May, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE	Capt. A. Mooker,	4370	TUESDAY, 30th March.
and COLOMBO	Capt. A. Mooker,	5068	THURSDAY, 1st April.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	Capt. T. Sekine,	6161	SATURDAY, 3rd April, at Daylight
SHANGHAI, MOJI and Kobe	Capt. T. Sekine,	4421	MONDAY, 5th April.
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S.S. SCANDIA ... 27th April	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SENEGAMBIA ... 10th May	S.S. JLLYRIA ... 8th April
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	S.S. NICOMEDIA ... 28th April
	FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG:
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Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1909.

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ACHILLIS, British str., 4,483, R. C. Thompson, 21st Mar.—Shanghai 18th March, General —Butterfield & Swire.	SHINANO MARU, Jap. str., 6,387, K. Kawara, 21st Mar.—Shanghai 18th March, General —Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
ALBESIA, German str., 3,376, Ernst, 1st March —Portland 28th Jan. and Moji 25th Feb. —Flour—Portland Asiatic Steamship Co.	SEIKUEN, British str., 1,142, Siford, 16th March—Wuhu 7th March and Shanghai 13th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
BANOKOK, German str., 1,920, F. Nicolaisen, 19th March—Bangkok 9th March, General —Chinese.	TAIWAN, British str., 1,042, F. C. Everett, 19th March—Chiofo 14th March, Beans & General—Chinese.
BELLEROPHON, British str., 5,726, T. Bartlett, 19th March—Liverpool 6th Feb., General —Butterfield & Swire.	TEAN, British str., 1,346, Outerbridge, 19th March—Manila 16th March, General— Butterfield & Swire.
BENDORAN, British str., 2,587, A. W. S. Thompson, 19th March—Singapore 13th March, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.	THORIS, Norwegian str., 1,090, J. Jorgensen, 5th March—Moji 1st March, Salt Herring and General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
BOUBON, French str., 997, Le Bail, 16th March—Saigon 12th March, Rice— Chinese.	TIPODAS, Dutch str., 2,953, O. Zwart, 14th March—Kobe 7th March, General—Java- China-Japan Lijn.
CHIEHL, British str., 1,142, J. Wanner, 20th March—Haiphong 13th March, General— Butterfield & Swire.	TIJMAH, Dutch str., 2,409, J. Bourman, 19th March—Macassar 9th March, General— Java-China-Japan Lijn.
CHINEHA, British str., 1,349, A. Harris, 21st March—Shanghai 18th March, General— Butterfield & Swire.	VERUS, American str., 608, G. Bontraria, 28th Feb.—Manila 24th Feb.—Jorge & Co.
CHIRING, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 20th March—Batavia 11th March, General— Jardine, Matheson & Co.	WONGKAI, German str., 1,119, W. Raser, 13th March—Bangkok 5th March, Rice and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British str., 3,039, H. Pybus, 19th March—Vancouver, B.C. 24th Feb., Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.	WOSANG, British str., 1,227, Huxey, 17th March—Wuhu and Chinkiang 12th Mar., Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
ERROLL, British str., 2,889, L. James, 28th February—Bangkok 21st Feb., Ballast— Dodwell & Co.	
FUKUSA MARU, Jap. str., 1,946, S. Kawawaki, 13th March—Moji 8th March, Coal—Matsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.	
HAITAN, British str., 1,183, J. S. Rosch, 21st March—Loprek 20th March, General— Douglas, Lapraik & Co.	
HUYCHOW, British str., 1,217, E. Forsyth, 15th March—Tientsin 7th March, General— Butterfield & Swire.	
KWONGSANG, British str., 1,428, W. P. Baker, 18th March—Shanghai 13th and Swatow 17th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
LIGHTNING, British str., 2,123, A. E. Gentles, 16th March—Singapore 10th March, General—David Sassoon & Co.	
LOOSOK, German str., 1,020, G. Schultzen, 21st March—Bangkok 14th March, Rice and Salt—Butterfield & Swire.	
LUCHOW, British str., 1,216, W. Braddley, 18th March—Wuhu and Chinkiang 14th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.	
MARIE JESSEN, German str., 1,356, Pedersen, 7th March—Saigon 25th February, Rice— Jensen & Co.	
MATHILDE, German str., 831, Ulderup, 13th March—Hongkong 9th and Hoihow 11th March, Coal—Jensen & Co.	
MAUSANG, British str., 1,644, G. S. Weigall, 21st March—Sandakan 15th March, Timber and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
MESPOO, Chinese str., 1,339, T. MacArthur, 17th Mar.—Shanghai 14th Mar., General— G. M. S. N. Co.	
MONGOLIA, American str., 13,638, Henry E. Morton, 15th March—San Francisco 16th February, General—P. M. S. S. Co.	
MONMOUTHSHIRE, British str., 3,297, E. Warner, B.N.R., 20th March—Singapore 14th Mar., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
PHUWPERN, British str., 1,069, J. H. Scott, 10th March—Saigon 5th March, Rice and General—Chinese.	
RAJAH, German str., 1,275, Petersen, 14th March—Bangkok & Kolschbang 7th Mar., Rice and Salt—Butterfield & Swire.	

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